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SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA

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REHABILITATION SCHEME FOR LEPROSY PATIENT
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have introduced any grant-in-aid schemes for the rehabilitation of `leprosy` patients; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI S. B. MOOKHERJEE)

(a) & (b) Funding of expenses on cost of major reconstructive surgery by approved Non GovernmentalOrganizations; provision of major and minor reconstructive surgery equipment to medical colleges and district hospitals; provision for micro cellular footwear to the needy leprosy patients and training of health care personnel on prevention of deformity, etc. are covered under National Leprosy Eradication Programme (NLEP), for physical rehabilitation of patientsof leprosy. Under the Scheme to Promote Voluntary Action for Persons with Disabilities voluntary organizations can avail assistance for setting up homes and projects for vocational training for rehabilitation of persons cured of leprosy.